

Dec 6, 2004

RHIC Spin Plan Discussion

- charge \rightarrow document to DOE Jan. 31, 2005
 - committee and RHIC Spin Collaboration
 - proposed schedule
 - proposed outline of document
 - what do we need to know?
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Committee:

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Phenix: Matthias Pernicekamp, Naohito Saito,
Yoji Goto

Theory: Werner Vogelsang

RHIC: Mei Bai, Wolfgang Fischer

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Charge

1. science, also context
 → research plan
2. RHIC performance requirements
3. resources needed, timeline
4. impact of "constant effort" budget
 ↳ - 5 weeks physics/year (10/2 yrs.)
 - 10 weeks "

- really about 500 GeV plan
- opportunity to revisit spin plan,
emphasize work so far,
develop plan beyond $\gamma + W$!
- opportunity to think about beyond
the baseline
- 1st step toward new Nuclear Physics
Long Range Plan

The RHIC Spin Plan Group

and the RHIC Spin Collaboration

- the Spin Plan Group is responsible for generating the document
- RSC is responsible to develop the plan
- both must contribute to both for this to be successful.
- "authors" will include everyone who made an important contribution
- the Phenix and Star collaborations are represented by Deputy Spokespersons and will also "weigh in"
 - see schedule
- all information, meeting schedules, notes, drafts on Spin discussion page.

Proposed Schedule

✓ Dec. 2 - telephone meeting

Dec. 6 - collaboration meeting

Dec 6-17 - homework on major issues

Dec. 17 - discuss major issues (telephone)

- machine expectations

- Phoenix and Star timelines for W hardware

→ strawman spin plan

Dec. 18 - Jan. 6 - write 1st draft

Jan. 7 - discuss 1st draft (telephone)

Jan. 8-13 - write 2nd draft

Jan. 14 - discuss 2nd draft (collaboration meeting)

→ circulate 2nd draft to
Phoenix, Star collaborations

Jan. 20 - complete document (telephone)

→ circulate to lab management, informally
to DOE(?)

Jan. 27 - discuss any recommended changes
→ final document.

RHIC Spin Plan Outline

Time scale: thru W

Executive Summary

Case for RHIC Spin

- all physics presented here,
- includes work so far
- longitudinal + transverse
- "baseline" and future programs
- complementarity / vs. DIS fixed target
- to eRHIC
- other spin physics at RHIC (elastic, ...)

Accelerator

- present accomplishments + future
- expectations with 10, 5 week scenarios

Experiments

- present accomplishments (hardware, required resources, upgrades, plan)

Spin Plan Schedule

- 10, 5 week plans

Major Issues to Resolve

- ① What to expect for P, L ?
- ② Sensitivity goals for $\Delta g/g, W$?
- both theory and pragmatism!
- ③ Sensitivity goals for transverse spin?
- ④ Experiments - required hardware;
revisit sensitivities; where do proposed
upgrades fit in to plan? Can we
handle highest L ?
- ⑤ Physics beyond the baseline!
- $\Delta g/q$; fragmentation; searches ρ, ϕ ;
 $W + \text{charm}$ (present + future programs)

Not an "issue", but how can we concisely
(elegantly) present sensitivities for different
probes - for example $A_L(\pi^0, \text{jet}), \gamma, \gamma + \text{jet}$;
different M coverages; $\sqrt{s} = 200, 500$?